

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

The attached two (2) sheets of drawings, which includes Figs. 3 and 4, replaces the original sheet including Figs. 3 and 4. The changes consist of adding descriptive legends to certain items. No new matter has been added.

Attachment: Two (2) Replacement Sheets

REMARKS

I. Introduction

Claims 1 to 36 are pending. In view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

II. Amendment to the Specification

As an initial matter, the Examiner will note that the Specification has been amended herein without prejudice to include a cross-reference to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/230,315. A benefit claim to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/230,315 was made in the Declaration and Power of Attorney document filed on January 31, 2001. No new matter has been added.

~~Applicants thank the Examiner for acknowledging the claim for foreign priority and the receipt of the certified copies of the priority documents from the International Bureau.~~

III. Objection to the Drawings

As regards the objection to the drawings, while Applicants do not necessarily agree with the merits of this objection, to facilitate matters, Figures 3 and 4 have been amended herein without prejudice to add descriptive legends to entries 90a to 90d, entries 91a and 91b, entries 92a and 92b, records 94a to 94d, devices 32a to 32d, interface 164, and record 171. No new matter has been added.

In view of the foregoing, withdrawal of this objection is respectfully requested.

IV. Rejection of Claims 1 to 12, 15 to 17, 18 to 29 and 32 to 36 Under 35 U.S.C. 103(a)

Claims 1 to 12, 15 to 17, 18 to 29 and 32 to 36 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over the combination of pages 1 to 12 of the AXIS 2100 White Paper entitled Network Camera Developments Enable Live Web Imaging ("AXIS"), U.S. Patent No. 5,907,681 ("Bates et al."), U.S. Patent No. 6,470,386 ("Combar et al.") and U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0032637 ("the Moshal et al. publication"). It is respectfully submitted that the combination of AXIS, Bates et al., Combar et al. and the Moshal et al. publication does not render unpatentable the present claims for at least the following reasons.

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter relied upon in the Moshal et al. publication, *i.e.*, the subject matter appearing in paragraph [0046], is not entitled to a filing date prior to the January 31, 2001 filing date of the present application. In this regard, the Moshal et al. publication is based on U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/782,932 (“the ‘932 application”), filed on February 13, 2001, and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/183,677 (“the ‘677 provisional application”), filed on February 18, 2000. A copy of the ‘677 provisional application is enclosed herewith. The subject matter appearing in paragraph [0046] of the Moshal et al. publication was not included in the ‘677 provisional application and is therefore not entitled to the February 18, 2000 filing date of the ‘677 provisional application. Rather, the subject matter appearing in paragraph [0046] of the Moshal et al. publication is only entitled to the February 13, 2001 filing date of the ‘932 application, which date is after the January 31, 2001 filing date of the present application. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the subject matter appearing in paragraph [0046] of the Moshal et al. publication cannot be relied upon for rejecting any claim of the present application.

In view of all of the foregoing, withdrawal of the present rejection is respectfully requested.

V. Rejection of Claims 13, 14, 30 and 31 Under 35 U.S.C. 103(a)

Claims 13, 14, 30 and 31 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over the combination of AXIS, Bates et al., Combar et al., the Moshal et al. publication and U.S. Patent No. 6,138,150 (“Nichols et al.”). Applicants respectfully submit that the combination of AXIS, Bates et al., Combar et al., the Moshal et al. publication and Nichols et al. does not render unpatentable the present claims ~~and 34~~ for at least the following reasons.

As more fully set forth above, the subject matter that appears in paragraph [0046] of the Moshal et al. publication cannot be relied upon to reject any claim of the present application. In view of all of the foregoing, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

VI. Conclusion

It is therefore respectfully submitted that all of the presently pending claims are allowable. All issues raised by the Examiner having been addressed, an early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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